

A Sad Mystery.

[From the Kansas City Times.]

Yesterday morning a bottle was fished from the Missouri river, a short distance above the bridge, by a young man named Henry Hulet. The bottle was tightly corked and was floating down the stream when first observed by Hulet, who was out on the water in a skiff. Impelled by curiosity, he at once secured the bottle within which was visible a small note of apparently blank paper. Thinking he would open the floating bottle and ascertain its contents at his leisure, he placed it at the bottom of the boat and continued on to the shore.

Here he broke the glass vessel and discovered in the roll of paper a letter, written in a lady's neat chirography, a letter breathing a spirit of utter despair, no relief from which was apparent this side of the valley of death. That the unhappy author thereof lives to-day in the land of spirits, free from the gloom that hung like a pall of death over her life here, from the spirit of utter desolation and determination the letter contains, we are led to believe is a reality. The following is the letter which Mr. Hulet has handed us for publication:

LEAVENWORTH, August 18, 1869.

"When this note is found I will be at rest for ever. My life has been bitterly wretched for four years. The world is dark and gloomy. I have no friends here. Disappointment and wretchedness is my lot, there is nothing in life for me to live for. Bread turns to ashes at my touch. Friends become enemies in a day. I have sold my virtue for a morsel of bread. I have lost my happiness to keep up life. Poverty, starvation, or the life of a woman of the town stares me in the face. Great God, why am I thus afflicted? Ah! but there is a home over the way. There is life in death. Sorrows must come, darkness must fall into the hearts of some. 'What is, is right,' perhaps! Fortune is not a god of Justice. Some revel in ease, others grope their way in wretchedness and a lifetime of misery. Well, I shall no longer linger where the sunshine of happiness can never again cross my pathway. Set for ever are my hopes. He whom I once believed so constant deserted me months ago. May God forgive him and me. We have both sinned. Farewell, earth—earth, that vale where the shadows of trouble are more common than the sunshine of joy. My body will sleep where no man can find it. A stone is tied to my neck. Good-by to all that is mortal. Welcome sleep—death—rest—a grave beneath the waters. Farewell!

"JENNIE WILLIAMS."

Nothing further. No home designated in her last words. No parents, no names except her own. The writer used good language in her letter. Evidently she has been a lady of culture and refinement.

If we understand the *News* aright an additional absurdity has found its way into the world of fashion. That journal will plead guilty to the charge of having published the following:

The latest female abomination is the "kangaroo skip." They lap the hands, keep the arms close to the sides, and go skipping and jumping, hopping and bouncing, very much like the kangaroo. This, in connection with the camel's hump and the diminutive boot-heels, makes their motions as graceful as the dignified strut of a lame Shanghai in the wet grass, and reminds one of the ruralist's opinion of the jig dancer, who "looked like he was trying to shake a shilling down his trousers leg."

The boldest and most scientific feat yet performed at Niagara is promised before the season closes, by a daring fellow, who proposes to cross the river without employing any such safeguard as an "undershot" velocipede, and, in fact, he will even dispense with the rope. This new miracle, who, we presume, will claim the distinction of the "Canadian Sinbad" designs taking an aerial flight across the chasm on wings; and as wild as such an attempt would seem, we can state as a positive fact that an apparatus is now being constructed in this city for that purpose. We are not yet informed what sort of practice the new Professor has been pursuing, or concerning the principle of his flying apparatus; but it would be advisable for him to take a small flutter over the Dundas marsh before the Niagara.

The young man from the country, who had never seen any fishballs, handed one to his lady love, under the impression it was a doughnut; after breaking his own open, he carefully examined it, then smelt it, and with sepulchral voice said: 'Sal! don't eat that doughnut; there's something dead in this!'

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